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Bengal-Orissa Field

Area: about 12,000 square miles

Population: nearly 4,000,000

Work of F. B. W. M. S.

Missionaries supported 8. Balasore: Mary W. Bachelier, M. D., Miss E. E. Barnes, Miss Sadie B. Gowen. Midnapore: Miss L. C. Coombs. Santipore: Miss Ella M. Butts. New Missionaries: Mrs. Ida

Holder, Miss Ruth Daniels, Miss Amorette Porter. Native Work and Workers: Sinclair Orphanage, Widows' Home, Kindergarten, Girls' Day Schools, Hindu Schools, Colporter, Zeuana Teachers, Bible Women and Bible Women Helpers.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

With hearts in love united,
 By one high purpose moved,
 Go ye to men benighted,
 And show them they are loved.
 Lift up the cross of Jesus,
 Love's symbol let it be!
 God thus with pity sees us,
 As we from sin would flee.

What joy attends your mission!
 Angels would helpers be;
 They know your great commission,
 For though unseen, they see.
 Beyond your knowledge, knowing,
 Beyond your strength, their
 might;
 So they, God's grace bestowing,
 Reflect his guiding light.

Whatever work beginning,
 Your strength is from above;
 To save is kindly winning—
 You have no power but love,
 God bless the time of sowing!
 God bless the ripening ear!
 The whitening fields are showing
 That harvest now is near.

—Selected.

The subject of supreme interest, this month, is the actual "going forth" of our missionaries, after much uncertainty and delay. On Saturday, October 10, there sailed from New York, on the steamship "St. Louis"—with a goodly company of other Baptist missionaries, bound for Burma, Assam and South India—our own beloved group for the Bengal-Orissa field. Those whom the F. B. W. M. S. especially calls its daughters are Dr. Mary W. Bacheler, returning, and the "dear trio" of new missionaries whose going was made possible by the faith and works of a loyal band of women East, West and South: Mrs. Ida M. Holder, with baby Doris, Minnesota, the "Lone Star Messenger"; Miss Ruth Daniels, Michigan, and Miss Amorette Porter, Maine. Rev. and Mrs. Zo Dixon Browne, Ohio, were in the party, appointees to the same field, whose support for five years has been nearly provided for by special contributions, solicited by Dr. Hamlen. Rev. and Mrs. Collett and children had made arrangements to sail on another steamship. There was a wonderful farewell service at Madison Avenue Baptist church, New York City, Thursday evening, Oct. 8. One who was there writes, "It was *great*." About twenty missionaries and participants were on the platform. Dr. Haggard presented the out-going missionaries, and the address to them was given by Rev. Charles A. Eaton, D. D., pastor of the Madison Avenue church. Dr. Mary wrote, just before sailing, that they were all in good spirits. Mr. and Mrs. Daniels, Dr. Porter and the Coes were there, with other friends, to see them off. Dr. Mary adds, "This time at home has meant so much to me in the making of new friendships and the cementing of old ones, and if I stopped to consider, I would be dreadfully sorry to go away and leave so much that has en-

riched my life, but the present is so full I can't take time to do much anticipating! Now, good-bye, all you dear, lovely people whom I love so much. I thank you again and again for all the kindness and consideration you have shown me. May the Lord return it to you a thousand fold." Miss Amorette Porter wrote, "Yes, I shall surely try to write something for the HELPER as soon as I get in touch with the new work. I know from experience what it means to hear from the folks whose minds and hearts are in the work. I hope I may be whole-souled in the service." A beautiful farewell meeting was held for Miss Porter in her home church, Pittsfield, Maine, Sept. 20. The pastor, also the principal and preceptress of Maine Central Institute, spoke of her helpfulness in parish and school, where she is so loved; a poem, written by Mrs. Mary B. Wingate, was read. A purse of money was presented to Miss Porter and a gift sent by her to the children of India. One said that the key-note of her life could be summed up in the text, "That Christ may have the pre-eminence." And now let us pray daily for these messengers of ours, "Father, bless them and keep them. Go with them all the way. May Thy enfolding love be very real to them. Protect them from dangers seen and unseen and bring them safely to the desired haven. So fill them with Thy Spirit that they shall radiate Thy love in dark places, and have daily joy in Thy work." . . . Have we not much to make us rejoice, as a society, at this Thanksgiving time, because of the reports of a most satisfactory year of work in Bengal-Orissa, at Storer, among the auxiliaries—in so promptly raising the extra money for new missionaries—the inspirational tours of Miss Moody and Dr. Bacheier, the condition of the treasury, the enthusiasm and efficiency of our young women, and the bright outlook for the coming year which brings the twenty-fifth anniversary of our observance of the Thank Offering? Let us begin to plan for a very special celebration. Mrs. Ricker, who has been closely connected with this work all the years, has written the beautiful origin and history of it to appear in the HELPER, later. Several leaflets are in preparation that will be useful in the new year of work. Miss Fenner will continue to give HELPER readers bright glimpses of those things we all long to see in India. Dr. Hamlen will write of the Social Aspects of Foreign Missions in the Bengal Field. A "Storer Number" of exceptional interest already lives in the minds of the editor and President McDonald! There will be illustrations that will please you. Miss Mosher is full of ideas for the financial side of our magazine. Now it is for you to take it, read it, file it for future use or pass it on, get new subscribers for it, contribute to that Sustaining Fund and the Illustration Fund. *Pray for it.* Will you do it? Miss Gertrude Hartley, Maine HELPER Agent, had some sparkling "HELPER Snap Shots" at the state association.

Helps for Monthly Meetings

"The question of missions is a world question. To study missions is to get a world vision."

Topics for 1914-15

September—	President's Reception and Guest Meeting.
October—	The Child in Its Helplessness.
November—	The Child at Home.
December—	Work for Children in Our Bengal-Orissa Missions.
January—	The Child at Play and at Work.
February—	Prayer and Praise.
March—	Storer College.
April—	The Child at School.
May—	Thank Offering, Twenty-fifth Anniversary.
June—	The Child at Worship. The Child at Work for Christ.
July—	Missionary Field Day.

DECEMBER.—Work for Children in Our Bengal-Orissa Field.

O, to have dwelt in Bethlehem	Hush! Such a glory was not for thee;
When the star of the Lord shone bright!	But that care may still be thine;
To have sheltered the holy wanderers	For are there not little ones to aid
On that blessed Christmas night;	For the sake of the Child divine?
To have kissed the tender, wayworn feet	Are there no wandering pilgrims now,
Of the mother undefiled,	To thy heart and thy home to take?
And with reverent wonder and deep delight,	And are there no mothers whose weary hearts
To have tended the holy Child!	You can comfort for Mary's sake!
	—Adelaide Proctor.

Suggestive Program

SINGING.—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

BIBLE READING.—"The Mother and the Christ-Child." Luke 1:26-35, 38, 46-55; 2:19, 51. (Refer to outline in "The Child in the Midst," Chapter 7.)

PRAYER.—Read prayer for Mothers and Children in text-book, page 262. Follow with prayers for the mothers and children in our India field, and for all our missionaries who work especially for and with the little ones.

SINGING.—"Come Let Us Live with Our Children." ("How To Use," page 53.)

ROLL CALL.—Respond with quotations, from the year's file of HELPERS, about the children of India, beginning with sentences from pages 131, 143 and other pages of May number. See, also, February, page 57; July, page, 197, last paragraph; August, pages 227 and 235,

fact about baby Doris; September, pages 263, 276; October, page 306, etc.

WORK FOR CHILDREN IN OUR BENGAL-ORISSA FIELD.—General Survey, with map and pictures. An article on this subject is promised for the December HELPER.

A SERIES OF AFTERNOON CALLS, described by different members. (a) My call upon Miss Coe at Sinclair Orphanage, Balasore: What I saw and what she told me. (b) My call upon Miss Gowen at Bradbury Kindergarten Hall. (c) My call upon Miss Butts, at Santipore. Tell the story in the first person and make it as realistic as possible. Describe the hostess, in each case, and weave in a bit of her history. Miss Fenner would naturally accompany you on the round of sight-seeing at Balasore. Show pictures wherever possible. These may be found in HELPERS, will be furnished by Mrs. Chapman, and a set of three picture post cards of Sinclair Orphanage, Miss Barnes with "Brownies," and Brown Babies at the Orphanage, can be obtained for 5 cents of the Editor of the HELPER, Ocean Park, Me.

GLIMPSES OF CHRISTMAS IN INDIA.—Brief talk on what it means and how we can help.

SINGING.—"Joy to the World."

REFERENCES.—Files of HELPERS, especially this number with its interesting reports and valuable statistics. In 1914: About Sinclair Orphanage and Brown Babies, January; Christmas Boxes and picture of Kindergarten Hall, March; Christmas, April; The Story of Jemma and pictures, May; Picture of Our Girls, June; Kindergarten Prize Giving, July; Good Times with the Missionaries (Chandipore), August. See also "Missions in Bengal," page 23, about Orphans. Biographical and historical leaflets can be obtained of Mrs. Chapman, 12 Prescott St., Lewiston, Me.

NOTE.—It is very desirable that all the mothers of the parish be invited to this meeting. Make the environments as "Christmasy" as possible, with decorations of evergreen and holly. A picture of the Madonna and Child, hung above the platform and wreathed in evergreen, would be beautiful. The leader will emphasize the vital facts—the universal appeal of the child, the natural response of the mother; the desperate need in non-Christian lands, the privilege of Christian women in being able to help in supplying it; the call of the Heavenly Father to the mothers of the world; the special demand, upon us, of the children of the Bengal-Orissa field.

FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society**ABSTRACT OF MINUTES**

The forty-first annual meeting of the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society was held at Ocean Park, Me., August first, 1914, pursuant to the Call which was published in *The Watchman-Examiner*. [See also July, 1914, *HELPER*.]

The President, Mrs. Lucy P. Durgin, was in the chair, and a quorum was present.

Mrs. Durgin gave as a watchword for the meeting, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord."

In a few well chosen words she urged the members to seek the power which comes from the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit.

The records of the meetings of the Board of Managers from July 28, 1914, to date, were read and adopted.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Miss Lena Fenner, was read and accepted.

The report of the Treasurer, Miss Edyth Porter, was read.

The report of the Auditor was read.

Voted to accept the Treasurer's report as audited.

Mrs. A. B. Webber, Home Secretary for New England, read her report.

Voted to accept this report.

The report of the Bureau of Missionary Intelligence was given by the superintendent, Mrs. A. D. Chapman.

The report of the auditor of her accounts was read and accepted.

Voted to accept Mrs. Chapman's report as audited.

The report of the Cradle Roll Secretary, Mrs. Laura Hartley, was read and accepted.

Mrs. Clara Ricker reported for the committee to arrange the itinerary for Dr. Mary Bacheler.

Voted to accept this report.

Voted to adjourn.

PORTER MEMORIAL HALL, Aug. 1, 2 p. m.

The society met on the above date with Mrs. Alma M. Cousins, Vice President at large, in the chair, and a quorum present.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. S. G. Avery of New Hampshire.

Our HELPER Editor, Mrs. N. M. Whitcomb, sent a beautiful prayer to be read as an expression of her thoughts for the society. This prayer was read by Mrs. Cousins.

A solo was sung by Mrs. Buzzell.

A greeting was read from our Corresponding Secretary, Miss Lena Fenner, who is at present in our Bengal Orissa field.

On motion of Mrs. Webber it was voted that the acting Corresponding Secretary send suitable greetings from the society to Miss Fenner.

An open letter from Mrs. Whitcomb was read.

Miss Alfrieda Mosher, General Subscription Agent for the HELPER, gave her report.

The report of the auditor for the accounts of the General Subscription Agent, was read and accepted.

Voted to accept Miss Mosher's report as audited.

At this time \$14 was raised for HELPER Shares and \$1 for the Cut Fund.

A statement of the HELPER Cut Fund was read.

Mrs. Alice M. Metcalf, chairman of the Nominating committee, presented the report of that committee.

Voted that the report be adopted and that the Recording Secretary cast the ballot for the officers, as required by the constitution.

The ballot was cast and the chair declared the following list of officers elected for the coming year:

Honorary President, Mrs. Mary A. Davis, Pittsburgh, Pa.

President, Mrs. Lucy P. Durgin, Winnebago, Minn.

Vice President-at-Large, Mrs. Alma M. Cousins, Steep Falls, Me.

Vice Presidents, the Presidents of State Associations and Yearly Meetings.

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Lena S. Fenner, Providence, R. I.

Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Miss Jessie L. Waterman, Laconia, N. H.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nellsine I. Jose, Portland, Me.

Assistant Recording Secretary. Mrs. Alice J. Merryman, Portland, Me.

Treasurer, Miss Edyth R. Porter, Peabody, Mass.

Assistant Treasurer, Miss May Malvern, Peabody, Mass.

Auditor, Miss Harriet A. Deering, Portland, Me.

HOME SECRETARIES.

For New England, Mrs. A. B. Webber, Somersworth, N. H.

For Western and Southern States, Rev. Elizabeth Moody, Hillsdale, Mich.

For Young Women's Work, Mrs. Ina Gates Stout, Champlin, Minn.

For Cradie Roll, Mrs. Laura E. Hartley, Rochester, N. H.

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

Mrs. A. D. Chapman, Lewiston, Me.

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

Mrs. E. H. Roberts, Mrs. Clara M. Law, Mrs. Lucia H. Libbey, Miss May Malvern, Miss Edyth R. Porter, Mrs. H. H. Hayes, Miss Lena S. Fenner.

THANK OFFERING COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Clara A. Ricker, Mrs. Nellie Wade Whitcomb, Mrs. Ida Stillman.

WESTERN COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Carrie Miles, Mrs. Lucy P. Durgin, Mrs. N. L. Abbey, Rev. Elizabeth Moody

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

General Officers. State Presidents as follows: Mrs. L. V. Jordan, Maine; Miss Mattie Jones, New Hampshire; Mrs. J. D. Waldron, Vermont; Mrs. E. E. Stanton, Rhode Island; Mrs. H. P. Stone, Michigan; Mrs. F. S. Mosher, Massachusetts; Mrs. Thera B. True, Iowa; Mrs. Alice M. Frye, Minnesota; Mrs. Grace Morris, Texas. Home Secretaries and the following elected members: Mrs. S. C. G. Avery, New Hampshire; Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder, Maine; Mrs. Clara E. Doe, Massachusetts; Mrs. O. W. Fullam, Maine; Mrs. A. E. Kenyon, New Hampshire; Mrs. Carrie Miles, Iowa; Mrs. Clara J. Ewer, Maine; Miss Alfrieda Mosher, Massachusetts; Mrs. Alice M. Metcalf, Rhode Island; Mrs. M. S. Waterman, New Hampshire; Mrs. C. H. Austin, Michigan; Mrs. Ethel Demeritt, New Hampshire; Mrs. Clara A. Ricker, New Hampshire.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Mrs. Mary R. Wade, Mrs. Emeline B. Cheney, Miss Laura A. DeMeritte.

EDITOR OF MISSIONARY HELPER.

Mrs. Nellie Wade Whitcomb.

GENERAL SUBSCRIPTION AGENT.

Miss Alfrieda Mosher.

PUBLISHING AGENT.

W. L. Streeter, Saco, Me.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE WITH BAPTIST WORKERS.

Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder, Mrs. F. S. Mosher, Miss Edyth R. Porter,
Rev. Elizabeth Moody, Mrs. Harriet Phillips Stone.

COMMITTEE ON VISITING SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT.

Miss Edyth R. Porter, Mrs. O. W. Fullam, Miss Harriet A. Deering,
Mrs. Nellsine I. Jose, Mrs. L. V. Jordan.

COMMITTEE TO EXTEND COURTESIES ON THE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE
OF MISSIONARIES.

The Corresponding Secretary, assisted by Mrs. F. S. Mosher, Boston,
Mass., and Mrs. Rivington D. Lord, Brooklyn, N. Y.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Alice Merryman, Mrs. Ethel Demeritt.

ALICE M. METCALF,

CLARA E. DOE,

LINDA V. JORDAN,

Nominating Committee.

Dr. Mary Bachelor was introduced and spoke, especially emphasizing the needs of the working force in India.

Mrs. Alice M. Metcalf followed, giving some pleasant glimpses of the work at Storer College.

Miss Gertrude Hartley, the HELPER Subscription Agent for Maine, presented the subject, "Our HELPER."

Miss Laura DeMeritte spoke of the need of loyalty to our society.

Mrs. Ricker gave a short history of the Thank Offering.

A program on "Snapshots of Ways and Means," by representatives of banner societies, was given as follows:—Dover, N. H., Mrs. Maud W. Kenyon; Laconia, N. H., Miss Chase; Pittsfield, Me., Mrs. Henry.

Miss Amy Porter of Pittsfield, Me., one of our new missionaries, was introduced and spoke of her gratitude that the way has been opened for her to go to India next month.

Lewiston, Me., was represented by Miss Ida Fullonton; Somersworth, N. H., Mrs. A. B. Webber; Portland, Me., Mrs. O. W. Fullam; Pittsfield, N. H., was represented by a letter from Mrs. Getchell, which was read by Miss May Malvern. Ashland, N. H., Mrs. Avery; Scarborough, Me., Mrs. E. P. Libby; Steep Falls, Me., Mrs. Cousins; Somerville, Mass., Mrs. Clara Doe; Winnebago, Minn., Mrs. L. P. Durgin; Saco, Me., Mrs. Lewis B. Stillman; Biddeford, Me., Mrs. Butterfield; Livermore Falls, Me., Miss Elsie Record; Canton, Me., Miss Mabel Goding.

This conference on methods proved to be both interesting and profitable as many helpful and practical suggestions were given by the various speakers.

Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook reported as follows for the Committee on Resolutions:—

Resolved, That with praise and gratitude to our Heavenly Father we receive our new missionaries, Miss Amy Porter, Miss Ruth Daniels and Mrs. Ida M. Holder, as answers to our prayers to help in meeting the dire need of our work in India.

Resolved, That we return thanks to the Great Giver of all good for the ready and generous response of our members, East and West, in the payment of the \$25 shares that makes it possible for us with new money to pay the outfit, passage and salaries, for the present, of the three added missionaries.

Realizing that the work of Dr. Mary Bacheler in our New England churches during the year was most generously rendered,

Resolved, That we express our most sincere appreciation of her clear presentation of our work in India and of the inspiration of her messages.

Resolved, That we rejoice with Miss L. C. Coombs and Miss E. E. Barnes in their returning health, and that we pray that their strength may be daily increased so that they may return to their work in India.

Resolved, That we express our heartiest appreciation of the work accomplished by Rev. Elizabeth Moody in her recent trip, voicing our thankfulness that through her personal sacrifice and under God's guid-

ance and care, she was able to revive the interest in the Master's work among our people of the West.

Whereas we believe that to be the highest Christian patriotism which conserves the children of the nation and fits them for citizenship, and whereas we recognize that through Storer College the F. B. W. M. S. has been instrumental in contributing to the increasing number of colored women and men who, "lifting as they climb," are justifying every effort put forth for their uplift, therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves anew to the broadening and strengthening of that institution.

Be It Also Resolved, That we express a sense of gratitude that from its earliest struggles the society has been represented upon the Faculty of Storer by women of rare capacity for service.

Resolved, That in Mrs. A. M. Metcalf, who has just completed six years of gratuitous service, and in Mrs. Elizabeth McDonald, wife of the President, whose unusual gifts of mind and heart render her singularly fit for her grave tasks, we recognize two of our most valued home missionaries.

Whereas, THE MISSIONARY HELPER, being the only periodical devoted especially to news of our home and foreign missions, has become a necessity to intelligent understanding of interests at home and abroad,

Resolved, that we urge upon our women the obligation to impress churches, societies and individuals with the worth and stimulus of the magazine and the imperative need of increased circulation.

Resolved, That we deplore any action by any of the great powers of the world tending to stir up strife and misunderstanding; that we condemn war and commend peace; that we implore the blessing of God upon all movements of church or state or private individuals in the furtherance of *world peace* and the spread of the divine doctrine of human brotherhood.

Voted to adopt this report.

A unanimous vote of thanks was given to the President, Mrs. Durgin, for her faithful work during the session.

The minutes of this meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Miss Porter it was voted that the Treasurer be instructed to make the usual appropriation for the printing of the annual reports.

After adjournment prayer was offered by Miss May Malvern of Massachusetts.

At the evening session it was announced that Maine had again made the greatest gain in HELPER subscriptions. The "Silver Necklet" was presented by Miss Alfrieda Mosher and Miss Gertrude Hartley responded for the state.

The address of the evening was given by Dr. Hamlen of India.

CURTIS HOME, Aug. 4, 2.15 p. m.

The society met according to adjournment, with Mrs. L. V. Jordan in the chair, and a quorum present.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. A. B. Webber of New Hampshire.

Voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of Aug. 3 and of the present meeting.

Voted to adjourn sine die.

NELLSINE I. JOSE, Recording Secretary.

Report of Assistant Corresponding Secretary

As we look back over the months that have passed since we were last gathered for Annual Meeting, so much has transpired that we feel like summing it up by exclaiming with grateful hearts, "What hath God wrought!" Through the letters of our Corresponding Secretary and of others we have been brought into closer touch with our own workers and those of other fields, and both our faith and works have received a new impetus.

In a private note Miss Fenner says: "You blessed women have so splendidly supplied the needs there are no special requests to make!" We are privileged to have a direct word from her:

On the field, yet with the eyes of the Home Board, I am seeing things as they are, and rejoicing in all the Father hath wrought through the combined efforts of our home people and our field workers.

The opportunities of this trip have given me facilities for comparison and contrast. And I can say honestly and without hesitation, we have every reason to be proud of our Bengal-Orissa Mission. The character of our buildings, institutions and equipment compares favorably with other missions, while the intellectual caliber and spiritual quality of our missionaries cannot be surpassed.

This maintenance of a worthy, established place in the world's work

for the Kingdom of Heaven, and to know it is all ours—and His, is a great joy.

This is not the sort of bolster on which we can lay back in contented inertia. But it may be a tonic that shall hearten us to jubilant forward endeavor.

Indications of material progress in our woman's work since my arrival are: The assurance of the reality of the new Girls' School building, the substantial and permanent roof put on the Girls' School at Midnapore, and the repairs to roof and porch at Sinclair Bungalow.

The two chief occasions for thanksgiving, in that time, are the second annual Bible Institute, of two weeks, for both men and women, and a series of meetings conducted by an Indian Children's Evangelist at Balasore. Both these events were of peculiar interest and great value.

I must add a third which should have first rank.—the word that brought the news of the coming of three new missionaries and the returning of three and perhaps four to the field this fall. The hallelujahs that rang from heart and lip, and the incense of thanksgiving that rose from family worship and the weekly missionaries' prayer meeting would richly reward you for your splendid and successful effort in making this possible.

LENA SWEET FENNER.

Kurseong, India, June 2, 1914.

Do we not all feel how blessed it is to belong to such a company,—those "who through faith *have*"?

Miss Butts, as ever, has been in labors manifold. She writes:

SANTIPORE.—Girls' School: Teachers, 4; pupils, 20; Boys' School: Teachers, 3; pupils, 25; Kindergarten: Teachers, 4; pupils 50; Zenana teachers, 6; pupils, 40; Bible Women, 3.

At Santipore, the usual Sunday services, the Sunday School, the meetings of the Senior and Junior Christian Endeavor Societies, the mid-week prayer meeting, have all been regularly maintained.

During the last rainy season, the dam built by Rev. Jeremiah Phillips was partly washed away, thus rendering useless the irrigating canal which supplied an abundance of water for the rice fields cultivated by our Christian people. This is a real calamity, for much of the land is of such a nature that the ordinary rainfall is insufficient to produce a good harvest. There has been, and must continue to be, considerable suffer-

ing on this account. Indeed, I know that some families have had but one full meal a day for months. I have furnished milk to help nourish several babies. Such assistance would probably not have been necessary could the mothers have had a proper amount of nourishing food.

The work done in the schools has been similar to that previously reported. The head teacher of the Kindergarten is a real comfort to me. I feel that she can be trusted to do her work faithfully when I am not present. She also does excellent work in the primary department of the Sunday School. There are about fifty little boys and girls in the Kindergarten, all but three or four from Christian families. At present there are twenty girls in the Middle Vernacular Girls' School, which includes pupils in Standards I to VI.

The average attendance has been somewhat better than previous years. Prizes were given to those who were absent fewest days during the year, to those tardy fewest times, and to those who received highest marks in the examinations for class promotion.

There is a short Bible lesson every morning at the opening of the school, the Sunday School lesson for the following Sunday being studied two mornings. The girls have a prayer meeting on Wednesday, after the close of the school, one of the teachers leading the meeting. At the same time I have had a women's meeting at the church. Twice a week I have a Bible lesson with the women teachers.

The two Bible women, Abby and Gera, are growing old and are no longer able to walk so far as they used to do, but they visit all the villages within three or four miles of Santipore. Since January the wife of a Santal preacher has been going as a Bible woman among the Santals. She is a bright little woman, brought up in the Bhimpore Orphanage, and the Santal women gladly listen to her singing and Bible stories.

Six Zenana teachers go in pairs to teach in different villages distant one to three miles from Santipore. I cannot go with them as often as I would like, but when I do go the women are always pleased to see me. I am more and more impressed with the awful weight of ignorance and superstition under which most of these women drag out their dreary existence. The lesson with the Christian teacher is a welcome break in the dull monotony of their life, and this, rather than a desire for knowledge, is, in some cases, the chief reason for their wishing to receive instruction.

On Christmas Day the church was prettily decorated, and in the evening there was the usual program of songs, accompanied with native musical instruments, by the boys and young men, other songs by groups of girls, recitations, and a short address. Then came the distribution of presents from the tree. Just here I wish to thank all the dear friends who have contributed to the boxes and packages sent out from home, the contents of which helped out so much in selecting gifts for so many children.

Four days, early in March, occurred the *Mela*, or big fair, during which religious services were held by several of our preachers from Balasore, assisted by two evangelists from Calcutta. A prayer meeting was held each morning, followed by a Bible reading with very instructive comments; group preaching to the crowds occupied the afternoons, and an evangelistic service in the church the evenings. One afternoon there was a rally of about 350 children from the Hindu schools, each school furnishing a program of singing, recitation of Bible verses, or a portion of the Life of Christ in the Oriya metrical form, which is more easily understood than prose. The *Mela* closed with a magic lantern entertainment on the Life of Christ. The church was crowded and all window and door spaces filled with Christians, Hindus and Santals.

During the year I have done a little rescue work, or rather I have had it thrust upon me. A little orphan girl who had been abandoned by the Bramin widow with whom she had stayed, was sent to me and was cared for a short time before being sent to the Orphanage at Balasore. Her gentle, affectionate disposition at once made her a general favorite.

The dear little baby whose death Miss Coe mentions in her report was first brought to me and I sent her to Balasore. Another baby, six months old and weighing only six pounds four ounces was brought me. After three months of good care and proper feeding he was a healthy, happy baby. Later he will be sent to the boys' Orphanage.

Two young Hindu women, one a widow about to become a mother, the other half-starved and abused by her husband, were given shelter and care and later sent to the Salvation Army Home in Calcutta. The lady superintendent writes me that both women seem contented. Let us pray that they may become true Christians.

ELLA M. BUTTS.

Mrs. Burkholder makes us wish that we all had more time,—she to write and we to hear. Her account of work in Midnapore is as follows:

MIDNAPORE.—Zenana teachers, 7; pupils, 150; Hindu schools, 5; pupils, 150; Bible Women, 2; Santal Jungle S. S.; 2 boys' C. E.'s.

The work in the Zenanas and Hindu schools has gone steadily on, with its lights and shadows. Our fine Hindu girls' schools have no less than 150 pupils, and we have about the same number in the Zenanas. Just here I wish to acknowledge with heartfelt gratitude to our Father His watchful care over our teachers. Again and again their work has taken them into streets, and houses even, where one or more of the inmates have been stricken with cholera or smallpox, and yet not a single one has been touched by these fatal diseases. The 91st Psalm has been fulfilled to us.

How I wish you could visit our schools and see the pretty, bright faces of the little girls! Child marriage is the great barrier to progress which we are obliged to face. If these little wives belong to the lower or middle classes, they are allowed to attend school; but if to the higher classes, their marriage means the end of their school days. Some of them we are able to visit in their homes.

May I take you for a short trip in the country villages some distance from Midnapore? For months I had planned to spend a part of the cold season in camp, visiting especially a village from which some of our best workers came years ago. The greater part of December was taken up with the Judson Centennial in Burma, of which Miss Fenner has told you.

On the 15th of January we, at last, started, with three preachers and Mariam, a Bible woman from Balasore, who came from the village we were to visit. The preachers walked. Mariam and I traveled in a four-wheeled garry, drawn by bullocks. I planned to make short stops so as to work in the villages we should find near the high road. The preachers each had a book bag filled with gospels and tracts, which they disposed of as they walked. A good sized wall pocket in our garry had a further supply of the same. Tracts were handed out to those we met on the road, if they could read. When we neared a village, the oxen rested in the shade of some tree while we went from house to house giving tracts and selling books. At one place we found a boys' school by the roadside. We showed them Bible pictures from a roll of Sunday

School lesson pictures. People gathered about us, listened to the blessed stories, bought books, received the tracts, and then we passed on to the next place.

From our camps our party would scatter in all directions, visiting all the villages within walking distance. Again and again fresh supplies of books and tracts were needed. During this trip of sixteen days, we sold almost \$5.00 of books. When I tell you that most of the books were sold for one-half of a cent, you will see that upwards of 900 copies were scattered broadcast.

The village we especially wished to reach was Dumureya. Almost fifty years ago, a most devout Hindu lived here. For years he had been a wandering fakir, going from one shrine to another in search of the truth, longing for peace. At last he found a tract called "The Jewel Mine of Salvation," which had been given away in a market supposed to be by my father on one of his preaching tours. Light began to dawn; the hungry man had picked up a crumb from the Master's table. For a long time this man, with three others he had won, worshipped on the bank of a tank, looking up to the sun. After years of searching he found one of our Christian school inspectors, who brought the company to Midnapore, where they were more fully instructed in the Way. They asked for baptism. It was thought better for them to make a public profession of their faith in their own village, among their own relatives. The baptism stirred up much opposition and persecution. One man offered fifty rupees to any man who would bring him Dr. Bachelor's head. From this company of four families have come some of our best workers. The original four have passed on to their reward, but of their children we now have Koilas Mahapatar, pastor of the Midnapore church; Amrit Mahanti, pastor of the Indian church in Khargpur; Mariam Curtis, who accompanied me, one of our best Bible women; Rachel Bose, a well educated woman, the head mistress of the Midnapore girls' school, and other workers. Bangsi Mahanti, who first sought and found the Way, died years ago. He was true to the end, and on his death bed asked to have the story of Christ's love and death read to him. I wish to ask you to very earnestly and definitely remember the village of Dumureya in prayer and claim it as our own. Many relatives of those who were won still live there. We want them. The railroad has brought this village within easy reach of Midnapore. *Don't forget Dumureya!*

Another thing I wish you to remember in your prayers, that is for a special blessing on the printed Word which has been scattered, that it may prove to be good seed in good ground, for has He not said, "My word shall not return to me void, but shall accomplish that which I please"?

In 1890, when on a visit to Ocean Park, I found "Bible Lesson Leaflets for Young People," which were being used there. I brought them with me to India. They were enlarged, translated and published in book form for use in our day schools. They have just been republished. These two little books, with two new tracts, have been sent out with many prayers that they may be used of the Master, in winning many souls. Will you not pray for them also?

Dr. Judson truly said, "The prospects are as bright as the promises of God." Dear friends, be strong, be courageous. The victory is sure, for the Lord has willed it.

JULIA P. BURKHOLDER.

Miss Coe, who has had greatness thrust upon her by Miss Barnes' sudden return home, writes cheerily of the successful solving of some of her many domestic problems:

BALASORE.—Sinclair Boarding Home, 79 girls; Widows' Home, 10 widows, 4 babies.

JELASORE.—Bible Women, 2; Zenana Women, 3.

When Miss Barnes went away, a year ago last April, and left me alone in the big Sinclair Orphanage bungalow, to be "father and mother" to eighty children and ten widows, and commander-in-chief of all the helpers in the compound, I felt that was about all the honor I could stand; and I didn't take into account any responsibility I might have toward the American "parents" of all these children; but if I was unmindful, the fathers, mothers, uncles and aunts were not. Even if your Corresponding Secretary were not at hand to remind me, I should know by this time, that I am only a sharer in the responsibility for our girls.

One important part of the story of the year has been the arrival of many, many special words of love and inquiry,—of dresses and hair ribbons, of Christmas boxes tied in holly ribbons, of Easter cards, to say nothing of indirect messages, many and urgent, sent through Miss Porter. That I haven't acknowledged the half of them, is due solely to the fact that my time and energy do not quite reach round.

The story of the year doesn't hold any very thrilling events. The health of the girls has been good except that, in January, that dreaded disease measles, entered in, and took away two of our girls. One was our baby, our dear, smiling little Gracie. Our numbers have been increasing. Seven new girls have come to be permanent members of our family, and three others as paying boarders. Our total number is seventy-nine.

We like to tell of the progress of our older girls. That seems the test of our Orphanage work. I have good words of our two nurse girls, in training in the Berhampore Mission Hospital.

Bachme, after a year of good work in Kusudia, has gone to be assistant teacher in Bhadrack. This position is highly paid, on account of the government's generous grant to country schools; and the thought is that she will save enough this year to pay her own expenses in the Cuttack Senior training, next year, instead of borrowing mission funds.

You have read in the HELPER of the marriage of our Rasmonie to Probodth Nayak. She is now in a splendid field of opportunity as pastor's wife in the new Kusudia church, and teacher in the school. Oh, that she may make good in every way!

One other marriage has recently taken place, and two more engagements are in prospect. I never would have supposed that marrying off daughters was such a responsibility. It seems as if they were going to take their final examinations and as if I were going with them. It's a lot more crucial than College exams.

Kenari, though deeply grieved at her failure to pass the College entrance examinations last year, settled down cheerfully at home as a very helpful assistant to me, besides frequently substituting as a teacher in Miss Gowen's school. In January she went to Cuttack to take the Senior teachers' training.

I feel the happiest about our two girls in Zenana work, because we have a right to expect Christian workers from among our Orphanage girls. Three years ago Mallicha went out to be our Foreign Missionary. In other words, she went to Miss Gaunce in the hill country south of us, to be her companion in touring. Miss Gaunce had to go home last year, and sent our girl back to us—a new Mallicha. Miss Gowen can tell you what she is doing in the Zenana work. Her new sweetness and sense of responsibility have meant much to the other girls. Some

of them said, "Why, we never knew Mallicha dede was like this!" She is an energetic worker, and is adding to her bank account as well as to her skill, by steady work in Miss Gowen's crochet class.

Nari—my queer, practical little Nari—is now a full-fledged matron in the Orphanage, drawing her monthly salary, and paying her board just like my teacher girls. I wouldn't have believed it possible a year ago.

This coming into responsibility on the part of the older girls has been one of the changes of the year. Chandie, the teacher, had so long held full sway, presiding at meals, at prayers, and at study hour, that, when she married last August, I couldn't imagine what I was going to do. I was still more puzzled when I had to part with our efficient matron, thus leaving no helper in the two big houses; but while I was pondering, my four big girls, Kenari, Dukhine, Mallicha and Nari, came right in and filled the places. When Kenari went away, Karmine Mullick came back, having passed her Junior training; so I keep my four, and depend more upon them every day.

Another change, or experiment of the year, has been that of the girls working for money and buying their own clothes, except the Sunday sari and jacket, and one house garment, given as a Christmas present. The work is lace and drawn thread work, sewing and gardening. The first number is entirely in Miss Gowen's charge. Her lace class includes not only Orphanage girls but three of the women in the Widows' Home and one or two of the neighbors. The sewing has already dispensed with the "dirzie" as an Orphanage servant; and we hope to make garments for sale before long. Mending and housework are, of course, still done as part of the day's work, not for money; but the very littlest ones can earn a pice by two hours of work in cleaning up *my* Compound, *not* their own. Church, Sunday School and C. E. collections, postage, special gifts to departing friends or teachers, etc., all come out of the girls' own money. I am the banker, and my cardinal principle is "No borrowing." In the development of the work my four older girls have been invaluable helpers.

Now this sounds like progress. It is; but I want to show you the other side for a moment. Our girls—your girls—are dear, every one of them. They are sympathetic and generous to a fault. In time of sickness, there are always some to rally round, sure and loyal to the end.

But in understanding of property rights, truthfulness and honor in fulfilling a trust, they are sadly lacking. They are uncontrolled, and in a moment's wrath will rattle off words that stagger the head of the Orphanage when she finds out their meaning.

We know their matrons, their teachers, and their Christian neighbors have the same faults; and we can't wonder at finding them in our children; but such failings stand squarely in the way of Christian development. We want our girls to be lights. Where is the trouble? How much ought we to expect? How can we show them more plainly the Saviour who can put these things out of their lives. These are the things we ponder over, and where we need help from a prayer circle that will reach way round through the Father's love to the girls and Superintendent of our school.

There have been twelve different women in the Widows' Home during the year; and of these nine remain,—the other three are working in good Christian homes. There have also been a number of transients, women who came for a shelter for a day or two. Four of the twelve women have babies, beautiful, sturdy little youngsters. Four women are young, and attend school. The others are nearly self-supporting. They husk rice, make rope, and, just now, are employed on the repairs. I wish I had time to tell you their individual stories. I think you would agree with me that for most of them the giving of the safe shelter and work and Christian teaching has been worth while.

The two Bible women and three Zenana teachers in Jellasore have kept up their work faithfully during the year, as far as I can judge in my monthly visits there. That work and the occasional going out with the Balasore Bible women, who have been in my charge since Mrs. Hamlen went home, is a real recreation to me. Now that Miss Fenner is with me, I hope to have time to do more of it. She is a help in more ways than one; and to my great delight is rapidly falling in love with "my family." So would you all, if you could be here.

Yours loyally in the work,

AMY B. COE.

Miss Gowen gives us most interesting facts about her schools and teachers:

BALASORE.—Kindergarten, 100 pupils; Girls' School, 60 pupils; 4 Hindu schools; Zenana teachers, 14; pupils, 200.

You want to know about the Kindergarten, the Girls' School, the Zenana work, and just as many people and incidents as a brief report can tell. I will begin with the Kindergarten. We are financially prosperous, the entire staff of teachers being paid by Government, or, rather, a sum equivalent to their wages being paid by the Municipality of Balasore. Komoline, with whose name many of you are familiar, is the same devoted, faithful head teacher that she has been since my coming. Whatever Miss Fenner may have found different than she expected, she has always remarked, "Komoline is all I expected to find her." I could finish this report with the beautiful things she has done this year and you would all be interested.

The average number of children in the Kindergarten is over one hundred.

Just back of the Kindergarten Hall there is a vacant plot of ground and close beside the wire fence an increasing pile of red brick delights the eye. It's the beginning of material for our Girls' school house. Shall I see it really finished!

The Girls' school has enjoyed a year of prosperity. Our head pundit, a Hindu, is whole-heartedly devoted to the interests of the school and spares no labor to make the very best of it he possibly can. This year, as well as every other since he has been here, a girl won a Government scholarship which provides her full tuition and board in High school for three years, and a silver medal besides. It is with sincere regret that I must part with this pundit. He has secured a Government position with better pay than I can give and a pension in prospect. Another is already engaged who comes well recommended. When our school closed for summer vacation the present pundit talked to the girls for half an hour on "How We Should Conduct Our Lives So as To Please God."

At our annual prize distribution, at which Miss Fenner presided, and about which she has written to the HELPER, she spoke to the people about the hope held out to the women of India through education and the Christian religion. Her speech was requested for publication in a local Oriya paper. I sent it to the publisher in English and they translated and published it. Does not that show a hopeful spirit in the Hindu community of Balasore?

This year has added four Hindu schools to my duties. They are all

taught by Christian teachers, and when I visited one of them, Permit Ghat, a few weeks ago, I came away feeling almost as happy as though I had been at a revival meeting. Those girls could repeat Bible verses and tell Bible stories faster and more accurately than most American children in Christian homes, and three told of definite and direct answers to prayer. One dear, bright-faced little girl, about 12 years old, clasped her hands enthusiastically and said, "Oh, Missa Baba, sometimes I wish I could die so I could go at once to see Jesus." I haven't seen any one, in a long time, to whom Jesus is so real as to that child.

The Kespur, or New Hampton, school is getting on very well. The children are learning Bible stories and verses and many songs. A Sunday School has been started and is well attended in every one of these Hindu schools.

Did any one say it was too bad I had to take the Zenana work with all these schools? Don't even think it. One of the happiest privileges I've had in India is visiting the Zenana homes. The physical exercise required to get to the homes has been a means of giving me better health than I've had before since I've been in India. Then, oh, the joy of telling the old, old story to a group of India's women who haven't heard. We have fourteen Zenana teachers and almost 200 pupils. Among these are women from some of the best Hindu homes in Balasore.

During the past year I have had a class in crocheting and fancy sewing for the Orphanage girls and some of the widows.

I have two Bible classes every week, with twenty women in each class.

There's joy to go along with every task, to make it light. I am glad God let you send me to India.

Sincerely,

SADIE GOWEN.

Through all of our India reports runs a strain of Christian optimism and joy. As we turn to our home field we find the same refrain sweetly intermingled with the facts of the year's work.

President McDonald says:

I completed fifteen years of service at Storer College last Commencement. It has not been a long time, as it now seems in retrospect. But many and vital changes have taken place. I went to Storer at the end of an era. There were still a few grown men and women in school. The first reader, the writing book, the number book, had not been dis-

carded, and some wished enough "learning" to be able to write their names and count money. Strong religious impulses still moved in our midst and a beautiful, childlike faith in what their teachers suggested, is delightful to recall. Better common schools have brought better prepared pupils to us and in the natural order of things the older ones have gone and will never return.

The mental quality of the students has improved; in material things we have grown, and in organization and equipment for efficient service the school has greatly improved. The past year, in some respects, was quite as successful as any one of the fifteen. Nearly \$25,000 have been given to the institution for permanent funds and improvement. Miss Peyton, our efficient librarian, resigned at the close of the school year, to enter the New England Conservatory of Music. Miss Green has shown her worth during the past year, and Miss Nason in music has been a very great joy. Both will continue with us. I think that the general purpose and earnestness of the students has been above the average. They are looking for and attaining to, the better things in education. This year we graduated three from the college preparatory course. This is the largest number who have completed their preparation for college in a single year, since I have been at Storer. The normal class was as large as the average class graduated, and, viewed as a whole, I feel certain that we have rendered one of our best years of service. The one need—our Industrial Building for Women—is still before us. Would that we might have the building a reality during this coming year.

Yours sincerely,

HENRY T. McDONALD.

Mrs. Elizabeth McDonald writes:—We have had an easy year. By that I mean there has been little cause for friction or serious discipline, therefore we could work with a will and never get tired. And of the various factors that contributed to making the discipline easy, one of the most powerful was the revival held in February. We came out of that series of meetings feeling we were truly united in spirit and endeavor,—as one of the students put it, "I never knew before that the teachers were really interested in *me*, as a person, but now I am sure they are." Thus you see the spirit of Brotherhood is working among us.

At commencement so many of the impromptu speeches, as well as the prepared orations, breathed the spirit of belief in one's self and of

ambition to realize ideals. "It's up to us, now, to show what we can do." "We have been helped, now let us show that it has been worth while"—such sentiments are surely in accord with the great movement of Social Service which we hear so much about.

Of course you know that Storer won in the Declamatory Contest with Morgan; and our first Cornforth Declamatory Contest, in which all selections were from the Bible, proved of great benefit and interest.

In the classroom there is a growing thoroughness and desire to think things out. When a New York City teacher visiting our classes commented on the "delighted interest" and "inquisitiveness" many of our students showed, our hearts were made glad.

Since Commencement we have been rejoicing over the gift of \$20,000 from the estate of Levi M. Stewart, late of Minneapolis. Let us all pray that the money may bring rich returns in useful, happy citizenship for our common country.

Mrs. Newcomber, though busy in caring for a little son who came into her home June 1st, yet has found time to write in regard to her work as follows:

"Our new policy of no vacations during the school year, enabled me to cover the usual ground with the cooking classes the third week in April. The Senior class in Sanitation and Home Care of the Sick was continued until the middle of May. The school being a little smaller than for several years, made my classes somewhat easier and the results more satisfying. The entering class impressed me as of unusual promise, a higher grade of intelligence and conscientiousness being manifested by the average pupil. This fact gave a zest to the fourth year work which made it a real pleasure to the teacher. We followed the usual subjects as outlined by the catalog with all the classes. The only important social event given by the department was a dinner, when the Seniors celebrated the completion of their course in cooking in January, by entertaining their teachers and the boys of their class. The Agricultural room had to be cleared, cleaned and dressed, as our little kitchen is impossibly small for such an occasion. Of course that always means a great deal of work for the girls and interruption of the work of another department. When we get our new Domestic Science Building—ah, *then* things will be different and we can have demonstrations oftener.

"The remainder of the year this class studied Sanitation and Nurs-

ing, holding demonstrations in their dormitories. As has been the case each year, the class showed special interest in this subject, apparently realizing its practical value. Graduates often speak of the helpfulness of this course.

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"An interesting and helpful variation in the year's work was furnished by Mrs. Taneil, a colored woman of Washington, mother of a large family of grown children, who spoke to all the classes with earnest directness about personal sanitation and propriety of conduct with men. Her many years' experience, her intimate knowledge of the great need, and her evident longing to save these girls, all gave weight to her words. I would that we might have more visitors so well fitted and eager to serve. Work of this kind is needed and my classes being girls alone, offer the best opportunity for such instruction. I long to help them all and wish that I might know that every girl would go out from our school to live a clean, pure, womanly life among her people, and to keep a home that would be a bright and holy spot in the community. To this end I labor and pray."

Miss Elizabeth Sims reports a pleasant year in the manual department. "There were 85 pupils in all, divided into six classes, some of which were quite large; hence the need of a larger room with more sewing machines. There are three and I could use as many more. Ten girls and five boys took the busy work, making baskets of all shapes. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed this work,—no one more than the teacher. These same ten girls made their graduating gowns with more ease than any preceding class in the ten years that I have been here. Each member of the Junior class made a dress and some of them three or four. The third and fourth year normals, also the first and second preparatory classes, did most of the extra work brought in by other departments and clubs; such as play robes, aprons for carpentry, garden and kitchen, table cloths and towels. I find in the sewing classes a splendid opportunity in spare moments to talk to the girls on subjects they ought to know about."

Miss Ella V. Smith, superintendent of Myrtle Hall, writes: "Since we are using the Lockwood House as a dormitory for girls, the congested condition in Myrtle Hall is greatly relieved. Still the arrangement is not quite satisfactory on account of the great expense of running a separate boarding department for each dormitory. The buildings are too

far apart for students to go from one to the other for meals. The fifty-two girls rooming in Myrtle Hall, with several from Sinclair Cottage, and the five teachers, made over sixty in the dining room, a room accommodating only forty-five in comfort. We are praying for a dormitory large enough to house all the girls.

"The natural healthfulness of our location has been greatly increased by the installation of the water system, which has much improved the sanitary conditions, and also by the steam heat. We had only one case of serious illness during the year.

"A large portion of the graduating class will teach next fall; others will go to college or advanced schools. While we are proud of these ambitious ones, we are equally so of those who in small country towns, in the mountains, and in the coal fields are trying to lift the children of almost heathen parents to a higher standard of living."

For the remarkable efficiency, adaptability and devotion of our missionaries, both at home and abroad, and also of our lay workers, for the answered prayers that have made possible the sending of three new missionaries, for the restored health and expected return of those home on furlough, we give thanks, and face the future with renewed courage.

JESSIE L. WATERMAN,
Assistant Corresponding Secretary.

Laconia, N. H.

Report of Committee on Itinerary of Dr. Mary Bacheler

Mrs. Clara A. Ricker, New Hampshire, and Mrs. O. W. Fullam, Maine, reported that in the months of August, September, October and November, 1913, Dr. Bacheler traveled in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, visiting and speaking in 31 churches, 4 Quarterly Meetings or Associations, and the New Hampshire State Baptist Convention held at Nashua. Total receipts, \$305.82; total expenses, \$28.47. The unrecorded results of her work are vital and permanent.

"Missionary Reminiscences" Statement

Since my last report, Aug. 1, 1913, twelve copies of "Reminiscences" have been sold and the balance of the amount due the Woman's Missionary Society has been paid. I have nine volumes in my possession and five of them are on sale at Ocean Park.

Yours truly,

GEO. S. ANDREWS.

Providence, R. I.

Report of Home Secretaries

Mrs. Adelaide B. Webber for New England

"I showed men God, my Lord will say,
As I traveled along the King's Highway."

This vision of the Christ life has been the ideal of our New England women; the motive power that has helped them to forget self in the higher service of sending the Gospel to uplift humanity.

The bequests in 1913 were \$273.82 more than in 1914. The real gain in receipts is \$671.36. "To Him be all the praise."

The answer to our petitions came with the Eastertide. Two more young women would go to India. A new inspiration came to our members all along the line. And gratitude found a substantial expression in the payment of \$25.00 shares.

A stimulus was given to our churches by the addresses given by Dr. Mary Bacher. She made very real the people of India and their needs.

Miss Esterbrook and Miss Budlong gave the history of the seemingly miraculous work in the Barbados, and the delightful letters of Miss Fenner from "Our India" have contributed to our success.

The King's Business has been used in our auxiliaries.

Sixty-six shares are taken in Miss Barnes' salary.

Two of the states have printed calendars.

OUR HELPER.—It was never more needed. It keeps us in touch with one another and makes us realize more fully that all the world is kin. The monthly programs are helpful. Use the "Quiz" in your auxiliaries. It is indispensable. We need to make an individual effort to help our agents. We trust the auxiliaries will take the sustaining shares.

In these reports the space allows for only a few facts about the work of each state. The statistics show results.

MAINE.—The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was recently held in Lewiston. The reports of the officers showed progress, more members and more money. The apportionment was \$2,300 and \$2,500.27 was raised, although there were no bequests. The year's work has been a splendid success. Much has been done toward providing the outfit and supplies for the new missionary. The Pittsfield society "give their best," Miss Amy Porter, and have paid two of the shares. Sunday School classes and the Cradle Rolls have been helpful. North Berwick has 86 members in the Cradle Roll. It also contributes to the

Children's Home in Saco. Barrels, boxes and aid to the Salem sufferers have been given. Mrs. Mary R. Wade was the first President of the present organization in the state. She served for seven years and did much to lay the foundation upon which her successors have built. Since 1897 she has been "Advisory." She has been transferred to that higher school where "Christ Himself doth rule." Having lived in the atmosphere of heaven, it was simply going home.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—There are two new auxiliaries. The interest in and work done by Sunday School classes and in Cradle Rolls is hopeful for the future. Seven of the Associations and Quarterly Meetings reported. Some of the auxiliaries hold an all-day meeting. Home missions are a feature of the good work that is being done by our women in the Granite State. Barrels and boxes are sent to needy stations and to India. Reciprocity Day in Dover was a notable one and a worthy example for any city or town. Mrs. Henry Chase of Wentworth invited the ladies to meet at her home to discuss an important question. She would furnish dinner. Twenty-four came and an undenominational Ladies' Mission Society was organized. One-half of the proceeds for Home Missions and one-half to the F. B. W. M. S. Mrs. Chase sends it every year. May not her success be a suggestion to others in farming communities.

MASSACHUSETTS.—The annual all-day meeting was held in Boston in the church parlors. Mrs. Mosher presided. Lunch was served and the afternoon was spent in discussing methods of promoting more interest in missionary work. Good work is being done in the Cradle Rolls, part are in the Sunday School, others are connected with auxiliaries. Missions is taught regularly in most of the Sunday Schools, and a good deal of emphasis is placed on doing as well as giving. Haverhill has an increase in membership. Fifty-six copies of the HELPER are taken. This means an intelligent understanding of our work and is one of the surest ways of increasing interest.

VERMONT.—This is the only state in New England that has made a gain in subscribers for our HELPER. Twelve churches have contributed. In some of the churches the Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society unite and readings are given from the HELPER. Mrs. Burgin gives \$25 for the new missionaries. We are grateful for the loyalty of our women to the work of the W. M. S. and trust that it will continue.

RHODE ISLAND.—Printed reports of the annual meeting are circulated among the local members. They co-operate with other denominational branches in Institute methods and local work. Union meetings are held with Young People's societies. Missionary plays are presented and Mission Study classes are formed to promote general church missions.

MAINE.—President, Mrs. Linda V. Jordan, Ocean Park; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Ella M. Greenleaf, North Berwick; Recording Secretary, Miss Harriet Milliken, 57 Western Ave., Augusta; Treasurer, Mrs. Flora E. Fenney, 7 Summer St., Augusta; Superintendent of Junior Work, Mrs. A. B. Hyde, 82 Essex St., Bangor; Superintendent of Cradle Roll, Mrs. Esther Prilay, Pittsfield; Agent for MISSIONARY HELPER, Miss Gertrude Hartley, 15 Shepley St., Portland; Auditor, Mrs. Gertrude L. Anthony, Lewiston. Number of Auxiliaries, 42; Shares in Miss Barnes' Salary, 26; HELPERS, 692; Thank Offering, \$385.60. Total receipts, \$2,500.27.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—President, Miss Mattie James, Northwood; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Elsie M. Everett, Gilmanton Iron Works; Recording Secretary, Miss Ella Hurd, Manchester; Treasurer, Mrs. Norah M. Hoyt, Pittsfield; Superintendent of Cradle Roll, ——— Agent of MISSIONARY HELPER, Miss Laura DeMeritte, Dover. Number of auxiliaries, 25; Shares in Miss Barnes' Salary, 11; HELPERS, 452; Thank Offering, \$332.98. Total receipts, \$1,544.35.

MASSACHUSETTS.—President, Mrs. Francis S. Mosher, 107 Howland St., Boston; Corresponding Secretary, Miss May Malvern, 73 Bartholomew St., Peabody; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Hook, 12 Wilson St., Lynn; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary A. Caverly, 399 Broadway, Lynn; Agent of MISSIONARY HELPER, Mrs. Horace Hayes, 20 Elm Hill Park, Boston. Number of auxiliaries, 6; Shares in Miss Barnes' Salary, 14; HELPERS, 180; Thank Offering, \$16.50; Bequest of Sarah B. Bachelor, \$426.18. Total receipts, \$977.70.

VERMONT.—President, Mrs. J. D. Waldron, Sheffield; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. John L. Barrett, South Strafford; Cradle Roll Secretary, Mrs. Lester W. Pease, Corinth; Agent of MISSIONARY HELPER, Mrs. Lydia W. Blake, Starksboro; Shares in Miss Barnes' Salary, 5; Cradle Rolls, 2; HELPERS, 72; Thank Offering, \$16.50. Total receipts, \$250.21.

RHODE ISLAND.—President, Mrs. Ella E. Stanton, 20 Hammond St., Providence; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lydia Francis, Arlington; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude L. Deckard, Arlington; Treasurer, Mrs. Ida F. Ricker, 32 Warren St., Providence; Children's Secretary, Mrs. Barnes, Auburn; Cradle Roll Secretary, Mrs. Bertha Barney, Eden Park; Agent of MISSIONARY HELPER, Mrs. E. H. Roberts, Greenville. Number of auxiliaries, 12; one new auxiliary; members, 166; Children's Societies, 10; Cradle Rolls, 8; members, 130; money raised, \$118.59; Shares in Miss Barnes' Salary, 10; HELPERS, 252; Thank Offering, \$192.82. Total receipts, \$993.78.

All letters, packages or inquiries relative to Sunshine work should be addressed to Mrs. Rivington D. Lord, No. 39 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

SUMMARY.—HELPERS taken in New England, 1,663; Thank Offering, \$943.18. Total receipts, \$6,266.31.

ADELAIDE B. WEBBER, Secretary.

Somersworth, N. H.

Rev. Elizabeth Moody for the West

The past year's work of the F. B. W. M. S. in the West is one that inspires the heart and renews confidence in the mighty, miraculous power of faith and works united. Our forces have been lessened, but the zeal and loyalty of those left to us has been most gratifying.

Mrs. Thera B. True, writing from Iowa, says: "I think it is rather wonderful that our women do as well as they do. Under the new regime nearly all are members of the Baptist W. M. S.." "Two native teachers are supported and one share taken in outfit and passage of new missionaries." Miss Porter's receipts for the year give them credit for contributing to our treasury \$297.20 and the mailing list of the HELPER reveals the fact that fifty copies go each month to Iowa subscribers. Mrs. True closes her letter and report with, "Long may the HELPER live." The officers, I assume, remain the same as last year: Mrs. Thera B. True, President, Mrs. Carrie Miles, Secretary, and Mrs. Nettie Zimmerman, Treasurer.

Miss Lida Moody, Brookston, Indiana, reports as follows: "As Free Baptists we have disorganized in Indiana. There are still societies here and at Badger, but I do not know of the others." There are twenty-one HELPERS taken in the state and \$37 has been sent to our Treasurer.

There are three societies of thirty-five members in the Illinois Y. M., which are seeking to diffuse a mission spirit and helping the churches and communities in which they are located. Our Treasurer reports having received \$22 from the state, and I have in my hands \$25 just received from Brother G. A. Gordon for the Central Illinois Y. M. Board to be used for F. M.

The statistical report of Michigan is as follows: President, Mrs. H. P. Stone, Battle Creek, Mich; Secretary, Mrs. Grace Thompson, Bristol, Ind.; Treasurer, Mrs. C. H. Austin, Batavia, Mich; Agent for HELPER, Mrs. Julia Reed, Onsted, Mich.; Cradle Roll Secretary, Elizabeth Moody, Hillsdale. Number of churches, 68; number of Auxiliaries, 35; number of members, 490; number of Children's societies, 4; number of members, 83; number of Cradle Rolls, 5; number of members, 63; Amount raised, \$4.70; Copies of HELPER taken, 253; Amount of money raised, \$963.59.

A new enthusiasm is among us and a splendid outlook for the future if our forces can in some way be conserved. For this we ask your prayers.

Thirty years Minnesota has been doing organized work, and her Secretary says of their recent session: "This was one of the best and most largely attended business sessions that we have had in several years." With less than one-third the membership of its first years, it is giving about twice as much per capita as then, and, "We begin our fourth decade as a Y. M. society determined that in His spirit we shall be the kind of women in whom He may confide. Believing that in quietness and confidence shall be our strength we enter upon our new year's work with joy and thanksgiving."

Her statistical report is as follows: President, Mrs. Alice M. Frye; Winona; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Inah G. Stout, Champlin; Agent for HELPER, Mrs. J. D. Batson, Farmington; number of Churches, 17; number of Auxiliaries, 9; members, 142; Thank Offerings, 9; HELPERS taken, 103; Amount of money raised, \$852.18. Three barrels sent to needy stations.

Kansas and Nebraska have not been heard from, but Miss Porter's books reveal the fact that from Kansas has come \$71.42 and the HELPER mailing list records 15 subscribers in Kansas and 8 in Nebraska; and

loyal hearts and true have sent their messages of co-operation and sympathy during the year.

And what shall I say of our New Society in the Great Southwest,—our sisters in Texas and Oklahoma and Missouri? That we have an earnest, loyal constituency here just entering new fields of activity and blessing, and we bid them hearty welcome. May I prophesy, too, that with "The Lone Star Messenger" and her "Baby" dependent upon their prayers and money, Texas will be true to the responsibility assumed. Texas takes 25 HELPERS.

Wisconsin, Montana, California and New Mexico have sent their offerings of love and loyalty, and God has crowned the whole with His divine favor and benediction.

Surely we should pause in the quiet of His holy presence to offer Him glad praise and loving gratitude for all these benefits to us.

ELIZABETH MOODY, Western Secretary.

288 West St., Hillsdale, Mich.

Mrs. Hartley for the Cradle Roll of Little Light Bearers

The Cradle Roll, which is the youngest department in our W. M. S., is by no means of least importance. The baby in the family often receives more attention than any other member, but this child is well-trained and only demands a fair share of your thought and prayer, not only at this Annual Meeting, but all through the year.

Never in all the history of the world, did child-life and child-training occupy so large a place in the minds of all thinking men and women as at the present time. Our own country by the establishment of the Bureau of Child Welfare and National Associations for the Conservation of Infant Life, is laying the foundation for a greater, stronger nation. These things would only be possible in a country where the knowledge of God's Son, who came to earth as a little child, has made all childhood sacred. We, the Christian women of America, cannot limit our thought and care to the children of this country, since we realize that of all the little children in the world today, *two* out of every *three* are born in a heathen land, helpless and hopeless.

If to a knowledge of Christ and His love we owe all the blessed influences that surround our own children, do we not owe it to Him to extend this knowledge? If Christ died for us, He did not die for us alone, but for the whole world. When the Christ-child came in that

Bethlehem manger, Hope dawned for the children over that little straw bed, and because of the little baby who lay there, all child-life is to be blessed in every land of the world.

Some day life and light and joy will reach every black and brown and yellow baby, as they are already reaching many.

Do you think this is only a vision? I tell you it is a sure prophecy. And to us, the Christian women of America, is given the glorious privilege of helping to fulfill it.

One of the many agencies, through which the women of the various denominations are working to bring about this Golden Age, is the Cradle Roll. It is not necessary here to outline the plan of the Cradle Roll, nor to tell you that our plan is to bring together as helpers in our mission work the little ones in our churches who are too young to belong to the Junior Societies or Mission Bands, teaching them thus early to send the light to the little ones of darkened lands, and through them to interest the mothers in the cause of Missions. There is something in the great Mother-love that reaches out to other little ones because of the babe in our own arms.

As soon as the children are old enough to understand, it appeals to them to feel they are working for other children. Much good has been accomplished by the money from the children's mite-boxes, but the reflex influence is much greater. Think what it would mean if all the children in our Christian homes were taught to work for missions! Think what it would mean to the church of the next generation! We as Free Baptist women need to give more attention to this branch of our church work. I do not know of a single church where this is not true. The past year has been marked as one of progress in your Cradle Roll department; more letters of inquiry have been received, more supplies sent out, but we have a long, hard climb before we reach the mountain top of our ideal. I would like to give you a standard for next year.

A Cradle Roll in every Free Baptist church.

Systematic effort to secure as members every child in the parish under six years of age.

Missionary literature to keep the mothers in touch with our work.

Birthday and special day remembrances to keep in touch with the children.

Mothers and babies visited in their homes.
 Annual reception for mothers and children.
 \$1,000 from the Cradle Roll mite-boxes.
 Do you think that is impossible?
 We can do it if we will, will we?
 Will you help? And don't forget to pray.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
By cash on hand, Aug. 1, 1913	\$22.97	Dues	\$18.22
Appropriations	30.00	Postage	9.28
Dues	18.22	Supplies	36.80
Sale of supplies	15.82	Cash on hand, Aug. 1, 1914...	22.71
Total	<u>\$87.01</u>	Total	<u>\$87.01</u>

Cordially, your Cradle Roll Secretary,

LAURA E. HARTLEY.

Rochester, N. H.

Report of the Western Field Agent

I spent thirty-one days in Texas and spoke thirty-one times. I rode, in this work, 3,245 miles by rail and over 100 by carriage; spent three whole nights and four days in travel, aside from the five days and four nights to get to and from my field. Left some fifteen W. M. S. Calendars in the state, distributed various other mission and denominational literature, secured ten new subscriptions for the HELPER and a pledge that others will be taken. The offerings amounted to \$37.16.

Outside my trip to Texas, which was so fully reported in the February HELPER, I have attended but one State Association (Michigan), three Q. M. sessions, and visited three churches.

I have spent many hours at my writing table, however. Over three hundred letters and post-cards have gone out from my study. Some of these have brought rich returns, rejoicing the heart, and strengthening faith in God, and prayer, and the cause we love.

April 1st I returned to my old pastorate, Osseo, where I had previously spent over four years. Itinerary work since then has been, and will continue to be impossible, and I find that even the extra writing is too much for me.

I felt it was God's hand directing, as Osseo is near my home and

conditions are such that I am needed in the home much of the time; but my heart still clings to the other work and most clearly I see its imperative need. Could we have the agency work in our state, I'm positive we could easily carry both Dr. Mary and Miss Daniels.

Texas has urged my return to them this fall—it is a real Macedonian call! Requests have come from Iowa, Illinois and Michigan (many of them), which have seemed so urgent that it has taken real courage and grace to say "no."

Will it be possible to send Miss Fenner to us on her return from the East?

Yours in Christ Jesus,

ELIZABETH MOODY.

Report of Superintendent of Bureau of Missionary Intelligence

The work of the Bureau has gone on as usual through the year. The study book for last year, which was a study of efficiency for women's societies, was not so popular with the auxiliaries generally as some of the preceding ones have been, though members of one auxiliary, at least, thought they could profitably spend two years studying it. The book for next year, "The Child in the Midst," is a comparative study of child welfare in Christian and non-Christian lands and promises to be interesting. On account of changes in the postal rates, the publisher's price has been advanced 10 cents on both cloth and paper bound. The Bureau has made a uniform price, which is 55 cents for cloth and 35 cents for the paper covered. The pamphlets to be used with "The Child in the Midst" are "How To Use," and a Junior book, entitled "Our World Family." These are spoken of more fully in the July HELPER, and also a list of helpful reference books.

A new publication by the Central Committee is a "Bulletin of the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions of the United States." It is published semi-annually and the price is 25 cents per year.

The Quarterly, "Everyland," as interesting as ever for boys and girls, is 50 cents per year.

For the twelve-month 42 calendars were sold; of these Rev. Elizabeth Moody ordered 24, more than half of which were sold on her Texas

trip. One dozen more have been ordered by her since July 1. About fifty remain in the Bureau.

Twelve histories of the F. B. W. M. S. have been paid for by the Bureau, but not all of them were sold the last year.

During the year the Bureau has been called on for subscriptions to "World-Wide," a Baptist Junior periodical; has had items sent it for the *Watchman*, and to furnish Christian Endeavor leaflets.

The chest of costumes was called for last February for the first time since the present superintendent has had charge of the Bureau. It was sent to New Hampshire and was used in several different places, being gone from home about four months. It is here at Ocean Park at the present time, to be used for the Junior classes.

The Bureau had calls for literature on home mission topics and could not supply them, but now it can furnish leaflets on the work of the Baptists in this country with Italians, Germans, French Canadians, and several other classes.

The flags obtained last year have served a number of societies very acceptably.

Of the free supplies, the Bureau has paid for some small envelopes for the use of such auxiliaries as wish them, and also for 1,000 blanks for Quarterly Meeting reports, and the society has replenished the mite boxes, paying for 3,000 last fall.

If there was a falling off in the sale and use of the interdenominational study book, I think there has been no less interest in and work for missions, and in viewing the results of the year, so far as I know, there seems to be no cause for discouragement, but rather have we cause for thankfulness for prompt responses and faithfulness of the society as a whole.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF BUREAU. RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand July 1, 1913		\$ 67.77
For Calendars	\$12.10	
Interest	2.26	
Everylands	4.50	
2 Reports of Ec. Conf.	1.00	
1 Missionary Reminiscences	1.00	
Collar15	
Study books and gen. lit.	94.36	115.37
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		\$183.14

EXPENSES.

Cash paid for Everylands	4.00	
2 Missionary Reminiscences	2.00	
2 Reports of Ec. Conf.	1.00	
Collar and post cards	1.55	
12 Histories of Free Baptist W. M. S.	5.40	
Postage on Calendars	2.34	
Postage on gen. lit.	22.13	
Express	4.08	
General supplies, including study books, leaflets, envelopes, wrapping paper, telephone, etc.	81.47	123.97
Cash on hand June 30, 1914		59.17
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		\$183.14

AMELIA D. CHAPMAN, Superintendent.

I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

NELLIE L. GIVEN, Auditor.

Lewiston, Maine.

Report of General Subscription Agent

We have been endeavoring, as far as possible, to introduce efficiency principles into the management of THE MISSIONARY HELPER this last year, and whatever has been done has been done with this end in view,—to eliminate whatever would clog and impede, and to keep and develop whatever would work to advantage.

We have found that 2,900 HELPERS a month seems to be the number that best meets our need, and this is the number we are having printed. We intend to have all used and none wasted.

Considerable work has been done with the subscription list. There is a postal regulation that any publishing house allowing an unpaid subscription to run on over a certain length of time forfeits its rights to the regular mailing rates. We discovered, however, that there were a number of names on the list from which nothing had been heard for over two years. We felt these, for the good of the whole, demanded immediate attention. First we wrote to every one of these delinquents. Then we cut out of the list every one who did not respond. One hundred and seventy names were dropped. This meant that we cut off an asset that could be figured at \$170. (One hundred and seventy subscriptions unpaid for two years would mean \$170 due us.) But in truth this asset was not worth a penny, and had no moral right to figure.

We have kept up this pruning. In the spring we prepared a special circular letter, which we sent out to all who were six months in arrears.

This circular was rich in results, and brought in a most gratifying lot of renewals and money. We have also had a good number of new subscribers. At one time Mrs. Durgin, President of our Society, sent in 18 new names. The work done by Mrs. Griffin and Miss Moody in Texas has borne good fruit in HELPER subscriptions. Others have done equally good work in adding new branches to the HELPER tree to take the place of the dead ones that had to be pruned away.

The HELPER list as it stands today, we believe to be a bona fide paying list, complying in all essentials with the law. We do not believe there is a name on it but what represents a subscription that has been paid or will be within a reasonable length of time.

The gross receipts for the year July 1, 1913, to June 30, 1914, have been \$2,031.48. One hundred and twenty dollars of this amount has come through advertising. One hundred and twenty-five dollars is the amount regularly paid by the F. B. W. M. S. for the use of the November number to print the annual reports. The balance represents subscriptions, shares, which are for the most part taken up in subscriptions, and a few gifts.

The expenditures have been \$1,879.86. This includes, besides the largest expenses of printing and mailing, the editor's salary, the subscription agent's salary and the stationery and postage used for the necessary correspondence.

This leaves a balance on hand June 30, 1914, of \$151.62.

We have received on account of subscriptions paid to the HELPER in advance of June 30, 1914, \$542.50. This means that we are under obligation to furnish subscriptions to the HELPER amounting to \$542.40. We had due at that date for unpaid subscriptions \$51.00. So to offset this liability of \$542.50 we had the \$51 due on subscriptions and the balance of \$151.62 in cash already explained. This leaves us liable to the amount of \$339.88.

This raises the question as to whether it is better to have a closely paid up subscription list or one on which there is a considerable amount due. We could have been less urgent as to the paying of subscriptions, and have had more money due us to figure as an asset and less paid in on advance subscriptions to figure as a liability. But we felt it was better business to have the money surely in hand to use than to have it as a hope to be realized at some future time.

The F. B. W. M. S. has been in the habit of providing for this liability each year and reimbursing it as a deficit. This year they stand ready to do the same thing, but it will not be necessary to call for any part of the money for some time. We wish that the Sustaining Fund might make it possible for us to tide over till the larger receipts begin to come in later in the fall, without calling for any part of it.

We do not feel that failure to meet expenses, however much we may wish, and however eagerly we may endeavor, to avoid it, is in any way a disgrace. Missionary publications do not as a rule pay expenses. They are not undertaken as a business venture, but to champion a cause. Financial success and ethical success do not always go hand in hand. We have chosen to make the financial phase of our work subservient to the ethical. As long as the *HELPER* continues a worthy helper to the causes it was called into being to help, its existence will be justified, but it can only help these causes as the financial foundation requisite to uphold it is furnished.

The books since October 1, 1913, when the present agent took over the work, have been duly examined and audited by Mrs. B. C. Butterfield.

Respectfully submitted.

ALFRIEDA MARIAN MOSHER,

General Subscription Agent.

107 Howland St., Boston, Mass.

General Subscription Agent's Notes

That matter of a Sustaining Fund is still heavy on my mind. I do not wish it in any way inferred that I am any the less interested in getting the *HELPER* on an independent basis through its subscription list and advertising, the legitimate method of securing financial independence for a periodical. But that day is still far off. The only way to secure immediate independence is through a donated fund that we may definitely depend on. It is true that now the Missionary Society stands behind us, ready to make up any deficit or provide for any liability, but I should much prefer that we had a fund of our own, definitely provided for us.

I wish someone would make us a donation of a couple of thousand dollars for this purpose. I prefer to think of a donation than a legacy, because we should want a person sufficiently interested in us to make us

such a gift, to be where he (or she) could help us with counsel and advice. I must confess that I see no sign heralding the approach of this donation, but I believe there are many, many people interested in the HELPER several dollars' worth, who could afford to give that interest tangible form, and send us the money without delay. We are in a critical time for all religious publications, and it behooves us to consider carefully our outlook and our assets.

ALFRIEDA MARIAN MOSHER.

Home Work of F. B. W. M.S.

Storer College, Harper's Ferry, West Va.: Salaries, wholly or in part of eight teachers. Industrial Department. (Makes appropriation for.) Special: Domestic Science Building. (Contributes toward.)

New England Field Agent and Western Work.

Work at Barbados: Special: Head Teacher and assistant, also Secretary.

Dear Father, we would face the duties of the year with strong hope and ready courage. Forbid that these shall be diminished by any difficulty or perplexity that may arise. We pray for wisdom and love. Grant us the strength to do our very best and leave results with Thee. We do not ask for ease, but victory, not for the praise of men, but for the blessing of God upon our heaven-appointed task. May we serve Thee faithfully and with gladness!—*Adapted.*

STATEMENT OF HELPER ILLUSTRATION FUND.

From August 1, 1913, to August 1, 1914.

RECEIVED.

Cash on hand, Aug. 1, 1913...\$18.38
By Personal Contributions..... 25.00
By sale of Picture Post Cards. 17.71

EXPENDED.

To Half-tones and Postage on
Half-tones\$36.75
To Printing of Picture Post
Cards 4.00
" Postage on Cards66
" Express50
" Photograph for Cut35
Forwarded for C. R. Cards15

Total expenditures\$42.41
Cash on hand, Aug. 1, 1914 .. 18.68

Total Receipts\$61.09

Total accounted for\$61.09

NELLIE WADE WHITCOMB, Editor.

Treasurer's Notes

Answering the question, "Who should be missionaries?" a recent *Sunday School Times* editorial says: "A Christian who is not a missionary denies his faith. It has been said that God had only one Son, and he gave Him to be a missionary. And that Son is the life of the Christian. Therefore the missionary life, which is the Christ life, is the only full, true, Christian life. * * *

"A favorite undercutting of the missionary enterprise is seen in the phrase, 'You cannot all be missionaries.' That suggestion does not come from the heart of God, for every Christian *must* be a missionary.

"Now every Christian cannot go as a foreign missionary, which is a very different matter, and should depend altogether upon the gracious call of God * * * but what scriptural warrant have we for expecting greater sacrifice on the part of the Christian who goes as a foreign missionary, than on the part of the Christian who stays at home?

"The missionary is the '*sent*' one, and *every Christian* is sent of God to bear the good news of Christ to others."

Are we feeling that our home service is less important than that of the dear friends who go to India this fall? Then we will remember that it is our privilege to make it *equal* in every way, and we will also realize that our home work *faithfully* done makes possible their foreign work.

The list of appropriations shows us that *large effort*, yes, *sacrifice*, on our part, will be necessary to provide for the larger work planned for the current year. Shall we each say: *We can do it and we will do it*?"

The gifts from Mrs. Wade's tenth box speak to us of our friend's loving faithfulness to our Heavenly Father's cause.

An Ohio friend says: "No war here and Miss DeMeritte well! Two of the many things for which we should give thanks."

The initial gift from Texas is in part given by a little miss nine years old, who earned the money by her own hands, having been saving it for sometime to send to missions.

The Yearly Calendar of the New Era Auxiliary of Pittsfield, Maine, is exceedingly attractive in form and offering, showing most able planning for the year's work.

We shall be grateful to receive the names of the various state officers from the President of each state, as well as their Annual Letters.

The annual Widows' Home Letter, sent out by us to our constituency quite generally, was written by Miss Fenner, and you will agree with us, is most interesting.

Yours for service,

EDYTH R. PORTER, Treasurer.

47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.

Report of Treasurer

Edyth R. Porter, Treasurer, in account with the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society for year closing June 30, 1914.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand July 1, 1913	\$ 4,178.06
Cash for Letter Contributions which includes gifts for	
Permanent Fund	\$ 426.18
Balasore School Bldg.	148.00
Special Coll. Dr. Bachelor	183.42
Outfit and Passage Fund	1,730.27
Storer College and Domestic Science	89.45
T. O. Postage	2.12
Balance of Gifts	7,722.01
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	\$10,301.45
Warren Nat'l Bank Int.....	41.76
Temperance Literature.....	2.00
Maine Receipts Year 1912-13	27.61
Postage	3.53
Helper Renewals and Subscriptions	4.00
Mileage and Car Fare	8.10
Funds in Trust	500.45
Payment Permanent Fund Loan	350.00
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Total Receipts	\$11,238.90
Total to account for	<hr/>
	\$15,416.96

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash for Salaries:	
Miss L. C. Coombs	\$500.00
Dr. Mary Bachelor	500.00
Miss E. M. Butts	500.00
Miss E. E. Barnes	500.00
Miss S. B. Gowen	500.00
Hindu Schools at Midnapore	360.00
Zenana Teachers at Midnapore	215.00
Bible Women at Midnapore	136.00
Hindu Schools at Balasore	168.00
Zenana Teachers at Balasore	264.00
Bible Women at Balasore	76.00
Kindergarten Work at Balasore	267.00
Sinclair Orphanage at Balasore	900.00
Widows Home	168.00
Teachers and Bible Women at Jellasure and Santipore	100.00
Specials for India:	
Mrs. Burkholder	31.25
Mr. Hamlen	10.50
Dr. Kennan	3.00
Dr. Kennan's Nat. Worker	35.00
Rev. Mr. Collett	3.60
Satyandra Mahenty Col. at Bal.	18.75
Komoline Chatterjer, Asst. Miss Gowen	25.00
Ratnamonie at S. O.	14.87

Well.	25.12	
Gifts Sinclair Orphanage	2.35	
Outfit	550.00	
Miss Sims at Storer	375.00	
Miss M. E. Peyton	325.00	
Miss M. Young	300.00	
Mrs. E. C. Jenness	50.00	
Ind. Dpt.	425	
Specials:		
Domestic Science Bldg.	89.45	
Barbados, (1912-13 \$46.25)	112.80	
Exp. Annual Meeting:		
Trav. Exp.	\$33.50	
Mrs. Burnell's Impersonation	12.50	
Locals	6.50	
Use of Temple	2.00	
Printing and Distributing Fliers	3.00	57.50
Sal'y Treas.	200.00	
Bond Treas.	5.00	
Printed Stamped Envelopes Treas. and Asst... ..	21.24	
Printed Postals Do.	14.00	35.24
Incidentals, inc. Telegrams, etc.	10.01	
Postage	19.28	
Supplies	8.75	
Sal'y Mrs. A. D. Chapman	75.00	
Helper Deficit	296.15	
" Loan	20.00	
" Shares and Gifts	95.49	
" Subs. and Renewals For'd	9.00	
" Cut Fund	2.00	
" for Printing Annual Reports	125.00	
Advertising in Helper	60.00	
Supplies and Printing, Mrs. Jose.....	36.06	
Sal'y Miss Malvern, 11 mos.	45.80	
Incidental Miss Malvern	1.45	
T. O. Supplies	\$ 16.00	
T. O. Postage	5.97	21.97
	\$ 28.47	
Trav. Exp. Dr. Bacheler	2.24	30.71
Western Agent 1912-3	\$ 7.74	
1913-4	105.00	112.74
Invested Funds	426.18	
Mileage	20.00	
Legal Services	1.50	
Material School Bags	1.00	
Cable Word to India	2.49	
Express to India	1.73	
Cradle Roll Appro.	30.00	
Safe Deposit and Storage Records at Port- land, Me.	6.00	
Typewriting	4.00	

Mite Boxes	27.33
Temporary Loans	500.00
Porter Mem'l	50.00
Funds in Trust to Invested Funds	500.45

Total Disbursements	\$10,388.52
On hand, June 30, 1914	5,028.44

Accounted for	\$15,416.96
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EDYTH R. PORTER, Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and well vouched.

HARRIET A. DEERING, Auditor.

PERMANENT FUND REPORT.

Edyth R. Porter, Treasurer in account with the F. B. M. Soc'y for its Permanent Fund, from July 1, 1913, to June 30, 1914.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand July 1, 1913	\$ 206.66
Permanent Fund to be reinvested	\$ 3,250.00
Int. Christy Fund	1,616.52
Specials for Receipts	842.87
Gen'l Funds	39.10
Brewster Scholarship	61.17
Bachelor Bequest	426.18
Funds in Trust	500.45
Accrued Interest	1.24
Called in for payment of loan	350.00
	7,087.53
Total to be accounted for	\$7,294.19

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash Christy Fund	\$ 1,600.00
Brewster Scholarship	40.00
To Receipts (Inc. Letter Con.)	842.87
Treasurer's Salary	100.00
Care of Funds (Bal. 1912-13)	23.13
Care of Funds (Bal. 1913-14)	127.96
Minneapolis Gas Light Bond,	1,011.67
Postage, etc.	1.12
Temporary Loan	200.00
Re-Invested	2,963.75
Ret. Loan	350.00
Total Disbursements	\$7,260.50
On hand June 30, 1914	33.69
Total accounted for	\$7,294.19

STATEMENT OF INVESTED FUNDS.

Municipal Bonds	\$ 5,430.00
R. R. Bonds	12,715.00

R. R. Stock	5,800.00
Corp'n Bonds	9,000.00
Savings Bank and Trust Co.s.	2,946.30
Mortgages	12,050.00

\$47,941.30

EDYTH R. PORTER, Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and well vouched, and securities as stated by the Treasurer.

HARRIET A. DEERING, Auditor.

APPROPRIATIONS, 1913-14.

MIDNAPORE.

Miss L. C. Coombs' salary	\$ 400.00
Dr. M. Bachelor's salary	500.00
Hindu Schools	360.00
Zenana Teachers	215.00
Bible Women	136.00

BALASORE.

Miss S. B. Gowen's salary	500.00
E. E. Barnes' salary	500.00
Zenanas	264.00
Bible Women	76.00
Hindu Schools	168.00
Kindergarten Work	267.00
Sinclair Orphanage	900.00
Widows Home	168.00

JELASORE AND SANTIPORE.

Miss E. M. Butts' salary	500.00
Teachers and Bible Women	100.00

OUTFIT AND PASSAGE.

Dr. Mary Bachelor	500.00
Mrs. I. F. Holder	500.00
Miss A. Porter	500.00
Miss R. Daniels	500.00
Salary and Language study Mrs. Holder	550.00
Salary and Language Study Miss Daniels	550.00
Salary and Language study, Miss Porter	550.00
Barbados	200.00

STORER COLLEGE.

Rev. J. C. Newcomer's salary	475.00
Mrs. E. M. McDonald's salary	400.00
Miss M. E. Brady's salary	350.00
Teacher in place of M. E. Peyton	325.00
Miss E. Sims' salary	375.00
Miss M. Young's salary	300.00
Miss M. Smith's salary	375.00
Mrs. E. C. Jenness' salary	50.00
Industrial Department	425.00
Library books	50.00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Western Work	100.00
N. E. Field Agent	100.00
Treasurer's salary	300.00
Supt. Bureau Miss'y Intelligence	75.00
Cradle Roll	30.00
Thank Offering	40.00
Adv. Helper	60.00
Free Literature	50.00
Inc. Fund, inc. salary Asst. Treas.	100.00
Expenses Annual Meeting	

\$12,884.00

STATE APPORTIONMENTS,, 1914-15

Maine	\$2,300.00
New Hampshire	2,000.00
Vermont	300.00
Massachusetts	600.00
Rhode Island	1,200.00
New York	300.00
Pennsylvania	150.00
Indiana	100.00
Illinois	100.00
Michigan	1,500.00
Wisconsin	100.00
Minnesota	800.00
Iowa	400.00
Kansas	75.00
Nebraska	50.00
South Dakota	50.00
Texas	275.00
California	50.00
Province of Quebec	50.00

THANK OFFERINGS.

Maine	\$ 385.60
New Hampshire	332.98
Vermont	16.50
Massachusetts	15.18
Rhode Island	192.82
New York	3.00
Michigan	148.17
Wisconsin	23.00
Minnesota	35.75
Iowa	28.25
Kansas	18.20

\$1,199.45

Thank Offering Supplies sent out 6,000

STATE TOTALS 1913-14.

Maine	\$ 2,365.57
New Hampshire	1,544.35
Vermont	250.21
Massachusetts	977.70
Rhode Island, including Ct.	993.78
New York	280.75
Pennsylvania	98.00
Virginia	2.00
West Virginia	25.00
Tennessee	5.00
Ohio	25.00
Indiana	37.50
Illinois	22.00
Michigan	963.59
Wisconsin	99.00
Minnesota	852.18
Iowa	297.20
Kansas	71.42
Texas	38.16
Montana	29.00
New Mexico	1.00
California	71.25
Nova Scotia	51.00
Canada	5.00
Scotland	14.87
Miscellaneous	1,180.92

\$10,301.45

Contributions

F. B. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts for September, 1914

MAINE		Wellborn, Mrs J S Hensarling for sal'y Mrs Holder	
Lewiston, Main St Aux, Miss Coombs 14.00; T O 1.00	\$ 15 00		5 00
Lisbon Aux, Coll for 1913, 19.26; T O 11.80	31 06	MICHIGAN	
Lisbon Falls, S S 12.82; W M Soc'y 12.18; T O for child in S O	25 00	Algansee, Miss Daniels 1.30; H M 1.3 ; Dr B 7.70; Storer 65c	10 95
Litchfield, Annual mem fee, Emily Tay- lor Smith	1 00	Algansee Aux, Miss Daniels 12.50; Dr B 12.50	25 00
Mars Hill, Blaine Aux for C F	25 00	Batavia Aux, Miss Daniels 92c; Dr B 9 c; H M 1.80; Sto 90c	4 50
Ocean Park, From mite box of Mrs Mary R Wade, Storer 1.00; S O 1.00; Inci- dental 35c	2 35	Covey Hill, Miss L S Coll Miss Daniels 44c; Dr B 44c; H M 80c; Storer 44c	2 20
Otisfield Con, Aux for Betsy 5.00; C F 5 00	10 00	Covey Hill Aux, Miss Daniels 80c; Dr B 80c; H M 40c	2 00
W Bowdoin Aux, Miss Coombs 5.00; S S for Saradamonie, S O 5.00	10 00	Genessee Q M Coll, Miss Daniels 1.75; Dr B 1.75; H M 3.50; Storer 1.75	8 75
W Lebanon, Inc Mary A Dearborn Fund, F M	7 77	Kinderhook, Miss Daniels 2.50; Dr B 2.50	5 00
NEW HAMPSHIRE		Mason Aux, Miss Daniels 3.15; Dr B 14.00 on L M, Mrs Mary R Stevens, Cas- sopolis	17 15
Hampton Aux for Miss Butts' Sal'y	15 00	Onsted, Girls S S Class, O and P, Miss Daniels	1 50
Loudon, F B Ch, "Busy Bees" for S O	2 00	Union Aux, Miss Daniels 50c; Dr B 50c	1 00
VERMONT		Sanilac Q M Coll, Miss Daniels 82c; Dr B 82c; H M 1.64; Storer 82c	4 10
W Charleston, Mrs J W Burgin for Storer	5 00	Watertown, Thos Johnson, Miss Dan- iels 50c; H M 50c	1 00
Y Meeting Coll sal'y for Miss A Porter	8 05	MINNESOTA	
MASSACHUSETTS		Champlin Aux, for Bible Woman	25 00
Brockton Aux for Jobna	10 00	Truman, Brainard C R for Brown Babies	15 75
Lowell, Chelmsford St, for Nat teacher	6 00	CALIFORNIA	
RHODE ISLAND		Pasadena, L H W for C F	1 00
Pascoag Aux for Outfit and Passage Fund	25 00	MISCELLANEOUS	
Providence, Miss E A Potter's S S Class for Praetama	5 00	Income General Fund	57 46
Stoneham, Mrs Ellena K Parmenter	1 00	" for Hanson Sch, Balasore	7 50
OHIO		" K Work	1 28
Rio Grande, Ruth E Brockett for C F	3 00	" Moulton Fund for Gori at Bal	25 00
TEXAS		" Porter Memorial	25 00
Bryan, Miss Ruby Lee Wheeler for sal'y Msr Holder	5 00	" for Working Capital	15 32
		Total Receipts for September 1914	\$ 473 69
		EDYTH R. PORTER, Treasurer 47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass. Per May Malvern, Assistant Treasurer	

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath the sum of—to the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, incor-
porated under the laws of the State of Maine.